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Betty Hammond Relay Administrator 3656 Research Way, Suite 32 Carson City, NV 89706

Re: Sprint Relay Guide for TRS Certification Renewal (DA 07-2761)

Dear Mrs. Hammond,

On June 22, 2007, the FCC released DA 07-2761, a Public Notice reminding states that the current Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) Certification will expire on July 26, 2008. The TRS Certification Renewal must address how states are complying with the mandatory minimum TRS mandates under 47 C.F.R. §64.604 and 47 C.F.R. §64.605.

To assist you with your state-specific TRS Certification Renewal Process, I have enclosed the Sprint Relay Guide for TRS Certification Renewal. Sprint has incorporated information in this document that addresses operational, technical and functional aspects of the mandatory minimum TRS mandates.

Throughout the enclosed document, there are yellow highlighted references for you to incorporate your state-specific information when addressing the mandatory requirements, as well as appendices earmarked for the information that you need to gather and submit to complete your Certification Renewal. You may choose to submit your application in the format we have provided to you, along with your state-specific information, or incorporate Sprint's information into your own document. If you choose to use the Sprint Relay Guide for Certification Renewal, I would appreciate receiving your final draft by September 17, 2007 so that I can be assured that you have the most updated document. Please be aware that some sections of the document may be improved between now and October 1, 2007. Sprint will keep you informed as we progress.

The FCC Public Notice (DA 07-2761) also provides the following timelines for submitting your application:

SUMMARY OF STATE TRS PROGRAM CERTIFICATION TIMELINE:

DATE	ITEM	FCC ACTION
October, 2007	Public Notices are issued indicating that applications have been received by the Commission and seeking comment	Public Notices are released seeking comment on the filing. Comments due within 30 days and then an additional 15 days for reply comments.
September 2007 – May 2008	Applications for TRS recertification are reviewed for compliance with 47 C.F.R. §§ 64.604 & 64.605.	Deficiency letters are sent to request additional information that demonstrates compliance with the mandatory minimum requirements.

May - July, 2008	Public Notices informing states that their	Public Notice
	applications for recertification have been	
	reviewed and certification has been	
	renewed.	

In addition, the Notice states:

Although there is no deadline for filing, renewal applications should be filed by October 1, 2007, to give the Commission time to review and rule on the applications prior to the expiration of the prior certification.

The State of Oregon has almost completed their TRS Certification Renewal application and has offered to provide their document as an example to other STARS (State TRS Administrators of Relay by Sprint) members. If you are interested in reviewing Oregon TRS' application, please contact Jonathan Cray, RSPF Manager at jon.cray@state.or.us. Oregon will have their application completed for your review by September 1, 2007.

Please let me know how I can further assist you with your TRS Certification Renewal process by contacting me at Chameen.r.stratton@sprint.com or 510-299-0628.

Sincerely,

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cc: John Moore, Branch Manager

Attachment: Sprint Relay TRS Guide for Certification Renewal